

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL (Kolar Gold Fields).—Mr. Speaker, Sir, when I was called by the Chair to put my Question No. 378 the Hon'ble Minister was not here to answer that Question. This is going on like this. I request you to caution the concerned Minister to be a little alert.

Mr. SPEAKER.—That question would be held over. I want the Hon'ble Ministers to be a little attentive to what I say. Two grievances were raised to day; one was that when the question was put, the Hon'ble Minister for Revenue was not present and the second was, that the Ministers were not present except one or two Deputy Ministers.

Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—I am extremely sorry for my absence, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Then, when a Question was put and when the Minister who had to answer was absent, nobody could say anything by way of any explanation at all. Why is the time fixed that the House should assemble at 8-30 A.M. After all, when the Hon'ble Ministers do not come in time or if they need to go elsewhere, they could ask others to look after. That much attention and respect should be shown to the House so as to carry out the business allotted for the day. There should be better co-operation; I really do not understand this!

Sri M. V. KRISHNAPPA.—Sir, in my personal case, this is the first time. Two Swamijis caught hold of me when I was just coming near the steps. They are big Matadhipathies and I could not say 'no' to them.
(*Laughter.*)

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Minister is making the matters worse. (laughter) Whoever they might be, nobody has got higher demand on the attention of the Minister than this House.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Maddur).—Sir, a better explanation would be that the early morning news papers have conveyed very bad news to the Ministers—the severe jolt in Kerala. Perhaps they were not in a mood to come to the House.

SECOND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES REPRESENTATION.

Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR (Sampagaon II).—Sir, I present the Second Report of the Committee on Government Assurances.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Second Report of the Committee on Government Assurances is presented.

NINTH REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Motion to adopt.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER (SRI A. R. PANCHAGAVI).—I beg to present the Ninth Report of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions.